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AN ACT

To amend chapter 301, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to special license plates.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 301, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 301.3088, to read as follows:

301.3088. 1. Any person who wishes to pay tribute to the disaster relief efforts made in the aftermath of the events of September 11, 2001, may apply for special license plates as prescribed by this section, for any motor vehicle such person owns, either solely or jointly, other than an apportioned motor vehicle or a commercial motor vehicle licensed in excess of eighteen thousand pounds gross weight, after payment of an annual contribution to the American Red Cross. Any contribution to the American Red Cross derived from this section, except reasonable administrative costs, shall be deposited in and used solely for the purposes of the American Red Cross disaster relief fund. Any person may annually apply for such special license plates.

2. Upon annual application and payment of a twenty-five dollar contribution to the American Red Cross disaster relief fund, the organization shall issue to the vehicle owner, without further charge, an annual contribution statement, which shall be presented by the owner to the department of revenue at the time of registration of a motor vehicle. Upon

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presentation of the annual contribution statement, payment of a fifteen dollar fee in addition to the registration fee and documents which may be required by law, the department of revenue shall issue to the vehicle owner a personalized license plate herein described. Such license plates shall have the words "PREVENT DISASTERS IN AMERICA" in lieu of the words "SHOW-ME STATE" and shall have a white background with a blue and red configuration at the discretion of the advisory committee established in section 301.129. The license plates shall be inscribed with the image of an American flag, and further shall be made with fully reflective material with a common color scheme and design, shall be clearly visible at night, and shall be aesthetically attractive, as prescribed by section 301.130.

3. A vehicle owner, who was previously issued a special license plate pursuant to this section but who does not provide an annual contribution statement at a subsequent time of registration, shall be issued a new plate which does not bear the design as described in subsection 2 of this section, as otherwise provided by law. The director of revenue shall make necessary rules and regulations for the administration of this section, and shall design all necessary forms required by this section. No rule or portion of a rule promulgated pursuant to the authority of this section shall become effective unless it has been promulgated pursuant to the provisions of chapter 536, RSMo.